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BOARD OF PHARMACY

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION	:	
OR REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OF	:	Administrative Action
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VITHAL I. PATEL, R.P.	:	CONSENT ORDER
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TO PRACTICE PHARMACY IN THE	:	
STATE OF NEW JERSEY	:	
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This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Pharmacy upon receipt of information that on October 9, 2001 respondent was convicted of the crime of Bank Fraud in United States District Court in the District of New Jersey. Specifically, while employed as a staff pharmacist at Trinitas Hospital, respondent took checks made payable to the hospital, altered these checks and cashed them into his personal bank account. The following sentence was ordered: One (1) year and one (1) day incarceration, restitution, and two (2) years supervised release.

It appearing that respondent acknowledges the above described conviction, and further acknowledges that the conviction

constitutes a crime of moral turpitude and a crime that relates adversely to the profession of pharmacy; and respondent being desirous of resolving this matter without the necessity of further formal proceedings; and all parties having agreed to the terms and entry of the within Order, and for good cause shown,

IT IS THEREFORE on this 14 day of May, 2003,

ORDERED:

1. That the license of Vitthal Patel, R.P., to practice pharmacy shall be revoked effective May 7, 2003. Respondent shall not apply for reinstatement prior to his completion of the criminal term of supervised release.


2. Effective May 7, 2003, respondent shall not engage in the practice of pharmacy in the State of New Jersey or in any other state in any manner or form, including but not limited to the following: he shall not be present in the prescription area of any pharmacy; he shall not handle, order, inventory, compound, count, fill, refill or dispense any drug; he shall not engage in the acceptance of any prescription in person or by telephone; he shall not advise or consult with any person concerning the properties and actions of drugs; he shall not handle or dispense prescriptions; he shall not type labels for prescriptions or enter information on profile cards.

3. Respondent shall by execution of the within Order surrender her original wall certificate, and her most recent

renewal card of her license to an authorized representative of the Board.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

By: _____


Anthony Alexander, R.P.
President

I have read the above Order
and understand its terms. I
consent to the entry of this
Order by the State Board of
Pharmacy.

 5/7/03
Vithal I. Patel, R.P.

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